RECOMMENDATIONS

• Establish reasonable, **MAXIMUM WAITING PERIODS FOR THE “CRISIS” CATEGORY** of the Waiting List.

• Implement the proposed **“EMPLOYMENT AND COMMUNITY FIRST CHOICES” (ECF) WAIVERS** that focus on transition aged students with ID and developmental disability.

• Target enrollment of **TRANSITION-AGED STUDENTS AND PEOPLE WITH PRIMARY CAREGIVERS AGE 75 AND OVER** into one of the capped Medicaid Waivers.

• Ensure eligibility criteria for LTSS is **REFLECTIVE OF THE NEEDS** of people with ID.

• Implement proposed revisions to the current **MEDICAID HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES WAIVERS (HCBS)** to include:
  - Person Centered Planning
  - Flexibility, cost effectiveness and cost containment
  - Self-directed options, and family/individual budget control
  - Services based on the person’s assessed functional levels of need rather than on program criteria

6,240 PEOPLE ARE CURRENTLY ON THE WAITING LIST AS OF JULY 30, 2015

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<tr>
<th>CRISIS: 92</th>
<th>URGENT: 407</th>
<th>ACTIVE: 3,766</th>
<th>DEFERRED: 1,975</th>
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<td>Homeless</td>
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<td>Needs services soon</td>
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BACKGROUND

• Limited funding means that only people in the “crisis” category get off the waiting list and enrolled into waiver services.

• Little movement on the Waiting List means that many young adults lose critical skills they learned in schools.

• Without supports, parents, siblings, or other relatives are often forced to quit work to care for their family members with ID.

• Many families face poverty due to the added costs of supporting a person with ID.

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